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Madrid, August 22.

ON the 18th Instant arrived an Express from the Marquess de Lede, with Letters dated the 24th of July, giving an Account, that on the 23d he caused his Infantry to be landed between Melazzo and Messina, without any Opposition, the Cavalry joining them the same Day. That then the Army advancing towards Messina, two Piemontese Battallions which were at a Post called the Capuchins, quitted it and retired into the Citadel and Forts: Whereupon the Inhabitants of Messina set open the Gates of the City, and admitted the Spaniards with great Acclamations of Joy. The Marquess de Lede had sent a Detachment towards Syracuse. Upon this News the Bells were rung, and Illuminations made here three Nights successively. On the 19th came Advice of the Arrival at Cadiz of the Flota from New Spain on the 15th Instant, under the Command of Sig. Serrano; having on Board six Millions and an half in Gold and Silver, of which one Million and an half belongs to the King: The other Effects brought by this Flota, are computed at two Millions and an half. 'Tis not yet known what Indulto the King will lay upon this Cargo. On the 18th Instant marched from hence a Detachment of 100 Life-Guards for Catalonia; and other Troops quartered in several Parts of Castile, are ordered to march thither likewise, upon the pressing Instances ('tis said) of the Governour of Castel-Rodrigo, Governour of that Principality.

Berne, Aug. 24. On the 18th Instant M. Leathergerber, Secretary to the Abbot of St. Gall, had an Audience of the Council for secret Affairs, wherein he delivered the Ratification of the Treaty of Baden, on the Part of his Master, and received in Exchange that of this Canton. Promise was made to him at the same Time, that the Library and Set of Bells that had been taken from the Convent of St. Gall should be restored; and that his Master should be installed the 28th Instant. He set out again for Ravensberg, the Abbot's dwelling Place, on Saturday last, having received a Medal of this State, of the Value of 40 Ducats, as a Recompence for his Trouble; the like has been presented to him by that of Zurich, where he had been some Days before on the same Errand. The Marquess d'Avarey, Ambassadour of France to the Helvetic Body, is come back from Paris to Soleure, where the Pope's Nuncio was likewise expected from Lucern to confer with that Minister. They write from Milan of the 16th Instant, that besides the Regiments of Hanover and Anspach, that of Odwyk was actually on the March for Naples, and, it was said, would be followed shortly by that of the Marechal Visconti.

Copenhagen, Aug. 27. On the 24th Instant arrived two Mails from Norway. The last Letters are dated the 10th Instant, on which Day there had been an Action between the Danes, under the Command of Lieutenant General Count Sponeck, and the Swedes, on the Bay called Ide-Fiort, where the Swedes were possessed of a small Island called Scriver-